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The applicant respectfully requests that the following references be considered in the examination of the above-identified application. A copy of each reference is enclosed.

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These references constitute all the references cited by either the applicant or the Examiner in applicant's patent application serial no. 09/869,533, filed September 11, 2001.

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